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TITLE OF INVENTION: DNA CODING FOR PROTEIN WHICH CONFERS ON BACTERIUM ESCHERICHIA COLI RESISTANCE TO L-HOMOSERINE, AND METHOD FOR PRODUCING L-AMINO ACIDS

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